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DAMASCUS, Jan. 19 (R)--The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees (UNRWA) has agreed to continue providing full rations to its dependents for at least three months, a senior Palestinian spokesman said here today. The agency announced last year it would have to reduce some supplies because of a multi-million dollar budget delicit. Abdul Mohsen Abu Maizer, a member of the PLO Executive Committee, said the accord had been reached during talks he had with UNRWA Director Peter Macilheny in Damascus last night. Mr. Abu Maizer said the PLO would use all its influence to help raise funds for the agency, but that it would not cooperate as long as the threat of cutting supplies was maintained.

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France, Ayatollah Khomeiny

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Islamic government would build a

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down on drug usage, prostitution

and "immoral films which corrupt

The Shah emerged today from

the strict seclusion he has.

observed since leaving his trou-

bled country on Tuesday and

attended prayers at an Aswan

mosque with President Anwar

Since leaving Iran the Shah and Empress Farah have been staying

at a luxury hotel at Elephant

Egyptian presidential aide

Sayed Marei said the royal couple

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They are expected to go later to

Neither the Shah nor President

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Today's marchers in Tehran adopted by acclamation, with ear-splitting chants, a 10-point resolution calling for an Islamic republic and attacking the Bakhtiar government as illegal.

The seemingly endless ocean of humanity arrived in waves throughout the day on the grassy knolls surrounding the towering, white-marble monument of Shahyad, which means, ironically, the King's Memorial.

The demonstrators wheeled a 10-metre high portrait of the Ayatollah Khomeiny under the four-legged arch of the tower and renamed it the Khomeiny Monu-

Although many of the songs. chants and slogans attacking the Shah were delivered with clenched fists and venom, no incidents were reported in Tehran.

Several individual army conscripts unarmed and dressed in fatigues, were seen taking part in the march and praying with the demonstrators at the tower in West Tehran near the Mehrabad International Airport, which was closed for the day.

Eve-witnesses had the impre-



With raised fists, demonstrators underline their support of an Islamic republic for Iran during a mass rally, Friday, called for by exiled religious leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeiny. (AP wirephoto)

Special to the Jordan Times

On the subject of PLO Chairman Yasir Arafat's forthcoming visit to meet with His Majesty King Hussein, Subieh said, "I think he will be there soon."

of the 301-member PNC was meeting at a trade union headquarters across the street from the Meridien Hotel in Damascus, Israeli troops attacked a Palestinian position in southern Lebanon. Asked whether the PLO would retaliate for the attack, spokesman Mahmud Labadi said: "It is not a question of retaliation. We are a resistance movement fighting to recover our home-

Subieh told the Jordan Times

Stepped up military actions

## Israel attacks Lebanon

### Massive ground, air and artillery attack

AYISHIYA, Lebanon, Jan. 19 (Agencies)--Twenty-one people were killed and 13 wounded in an Israeli ground, air and artillery attack in South Lebanon today, a Palestinian Commando spokesman said.

The attack was directed against this tiny mountain village and the settlement of Amoun, both about seven kilometres from the Israeli

A senior Palestinian commander, Abu Jihad, told Reuters that after several hours of fighting the Israelis were forced to call in helicopters to evacuate their wounded.

In Arnoun, the Israelis destroyed a camp of the rebel Lebanese Arab Army (LAA), which is allied with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) and at least seven LAA troops were

Commanders here from Fatah, the biggest Palestinian group in the PLO, told Reuters the Israelis launched their attack from the nearby stronghold of Marjayoun.

Planes made strafing runs and artillery pounded the area as about 100 Israeli troops advanced on this village over the craggy mountains around Ayishiya and Amoun.

The Israeli push was halted about a kilometre away. "Our soldiers in forward positions saw the Israelis coming and opened fire," one Palestinian said.

A Reuter correspondent near Arishiya saw signs of heavy fighting and blood-stained bandages on the ground near an abandoned israeli uniform.

While Israeli reports said the attacks were aimed at the PLO. the heaviest casualties appeared to have been suffered by the LAA. Military sources said the LAA

troops had been taken by surprise in concrete bunkers in their camp at Arnoun, situated on a hillside below the ruins of Beaufort Castle, a medieval Crusader fort. Four corpses blocked the

smoke-blackened entrance of an LAA underground concrete bunker. Israeli shellfire had shattered

two buildings nearby. The wife of a farmer picked through the ruins of her home, wailing for two relatives buried under the debris. On the single-track road lead-

ing north from Arnoun to the main town in the area, Nabatiyah, two buildings were devastated by artillery fire. Shafik Awad, an elderly farmer.

said two of his relatives -- a man and young girl-were believed dead under the rubble of one house.

Tyre tonight, travellers reported Israeli shelling of the Burj al There was no sign of weapons in Shemali, a village including a the jumble of corpses at the Palestinian refugee camp, and a bunker entrance, set close to a vilfarm east of Tyre.

ties, but the travellers said palls of black smoke hung over the areas. apparently bombarded from inside Israel. Outside the smouldering ruins of the second building stood a and waded across the Litani river-

wrecked olive-green four wheeldrive vehicle of the type used by Palestinian guerrillas. But there was no indication whether it belonged to the PLO or whether there had been casualties there.

There were no reports of casul-

The Israelis said they had preceded their attack with a half-hour artillery harrage--and the two buildings appeared to have been

the targets. The small LAA camp below Beaufort Castle was in ruins. The only artillery piece there was an ageing field gun that had been lage already battered from the

Israeli invasion of southern Lebanon last March. In Tel Aviv, Israel's Chief of Staff, LL-Gen. Rafael Eitan said his paratroops and infantrymen footslogged in darkness 16 kilometres into South Lebanon

to destroy two Palestinian bases early today. He claimed at a press briefing that the Israelis killed between 20 and 25 men and destroyed buildings, equipment, arms and

Israel suffered only one casualty, a soldier slightly wounded in the leg by shrapnel, Gen. Eitan claimed.

The Israelis brought back one prisoner who identified himself as a member of the LAA, according

-While Egypt wants to preserve

the right to aid an Arab state if it

becomes subject to Israeli aggres-

sion. Israel argues that there must

be a clear definition of the term

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official sources said Mr. Atherton

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## Atherton still unsuccessful

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM. Jan. demands to link their bilateral tre-19 (R) -- Prime Minister aty with a future solution of the Palestinian issue on the occupied Menachem Begin met Special West Bank of the Jordan and the United States Envoy Alfred Gaza Strip. Atherton today and promised to present to his cabinet new Ameri--The Israelis stress that the treaty with Egypt must take precan proposals on breaking the cedence over any past comimpasse on Israeli-Egyptian peace mitments made by Cairo to fellow talks.

Mr. Atherton arrived here earlier this week heading a delegation of legal experts to try to bridge gaps between Israeli and Egyptian positions on the wording of the

Mr. Begin and the American diplomat would not disclose details of their discussion today. but the Israeli Premier told reporters the new ideas presented would be discussed by his cabinet.

presumably during its weekly session on Sunday. Earlier today, for the fifth time this week, Mr. Atherton met the director-general of Mr. Begin's

bureau, Dr. Eliahu Ben-Elisar. who heads the Israeli negotiating Cabinet sources said the entire

series of talks revolved around three critical points in the proposed peace treaty worked out by Egyptian and Israeli delegations in Washington last November. On these points, the sources

-Israel totally rejects Egyptian

### **Israelis lose** faith in U.S., asserts poll

TEL AVIV, Jan. 19 (R)-Israelis have seriously lost faith in the friendly attitude of the United States and President Carter since a high point at the time of the Camp David summit meeting last September, according to a public opinion poll. The poll was carried out for the

afternoon newspaper Yediot Aharonot by the Hebrew University's Institute for Applied Social Research and Communications. It showed that belief in the

friendly attitude of Washington had declined from 84 per cent in September to 54 per cent now, while opinion in favour of President Carter had dropped from 67 per cent to 34 per cent. The poll showed that 67 per

cent of Israelis now thought the U.S. favoured the establishment of a Palestinian state, compared with 41 per cent four months ago.

Asked if they thought the U.S. could abandon Israel as it had abandoned Taiwan in favour of Communist China 53 per cent said yes, 31 thought no while 16 per cent were undecided, the poll

U.S. officials said he may have another meeting with Israeli leaders before his departure. China to open

### consular ties with Tel Aviv TEL AVIV, Jan. 19 (R)--China

might open relations at the commercial or consular level with Israel before a peace agreement with Egypt was signed, the afternoon newspaper Maariv quoted a senior Chinese diplomat today as The paper said the diplomat,

whom it named as S.P. Liu based in New York with the Chinese United Nations mission, was in Israel last week to inspect U.N. peace-keeping forces,

It quoted him as saying he had visited Peking three weeks ago and had raised the possibility of establishing China-Israel relations with foreign ministry officials

Assad, Ford

### discuss ME DAMASCUS, Jan. 19

(R)-President Hafez Al Assad today explained to former U.S. President Gerald Ford Syria's views on the Camp David agreements between Egypt and Israel. Official sources quoted Mr.

Ford as saying he and President Assad had discussed Middle East developments.

President Assad gave a luncheon in honour of Mr. Ford, who left for Aswan after a four-hour

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### 100 refugees e Cambodia

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borough wrote to Prime Minister James Callaghan urging him to declare a state of emergency.

Yesterday Mr. Callaghan deferred calling a state of emergency to see if the Transport and General Workers' Union (TGWU) could enjoin striking drivers to follow a voluntary picketing code.

The strikers have stopped the flow of food and raw materials by picketing docks and firms outside their dispute. Government ministers said it would take a few days to see whether truckers would obey the code and only picket firms involved in the dispute.

A CBI spokesman said first reports today did not show a marked improvement and pickets were out in force - particularly in North England.

It was clear the strike had not lived up to the worst fears of Chancellor of the Exchequer Denis Healey who three days ago predicted that some one million men would be laid off by the end of this week.

Employers and officials said it was hard to estimate the number of lay-offs but the figure did .cxceed 150,000.

Next Monday's "national day of action" has been coordinated by four trade unions pressing for huge pay hikes. In some cases they are demanding 40 and 50 per cent increases.

Mr. Callaghan has been trying to keep wage rises down to five per cent but has said the low paid may have slightly more.

Train drivers have scheduled another one-day national strike on Tuesday-their third this month-and tomorrow travellers face disruption at London airport because of a stoppage by some

ground staff. Nurses are claiming a 25 per cent increase. They have said they may take some industrial action but will never go on all-out strike. A public opinion poll today

fuelled the ruling Labour Party's fear that the strike-crisis could lose Mr. Callaghan this year's election. It showed the party's standing had slipped further behind the opposition Conservative Party.

The poll, in the Daily Telegraph, reported the Conservatives had a seven-and-a-half per cent lead with 49 per cent support compared to Labour's forty-one ch they were using as bases for compared to

### PLO restates wish for close ties

By Lee S. Tesdell

DAMASCUS, Jan. 19 (J.T.)--The Palestine Liberation Organisation is "keen to have relations with Jordan," Mohammad Subieh, secretary general of the Palestine National Council told the Jordan Times bere today. "We unanimously accepted in principle to have these relations. he said. "Now it depends on how

Jordan will react."

While the 14th annual session

"This means that such acts of Zionist aggression will not deter us from carrying on our struggle inside the occupied territories, The armed struggle will go on." he continued at his daily news con-

that both the Baghdad Conference meetings between His Majesty King Hussein and Chairman Arafat and the earlier meeting of the two men in northern Jordan had help id to strengthen ties between the Jordanians and the PLO. The Palestinians are hopeful as well that the current Syrian-Iraqi accords unification moves will strengthen the Arab position against Israel.

Conference sources, quoted by. Reuters, said the debate within the PNC shows the unity of Palestinian groups around opposition to Camp David peace plans. The council, they reported, had approved a draft programme rejecting the notion of limited self rule on the West Bank and Gaza.

In another unifying move, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine has apparently decided to rejoin the 15 member

Mr. Labadi stressed that the

# against Israel were also called for, they said.

executive committee of the PLO.

PNC is a democratic organisation in which each member may express his or her views. This was confirmed to the Jordan Times by Mr. Subieh, who said that 160 members of the 301 will have made statements by the end of the

### approximately week-long con-In the southern port town of

#### Syria, UAE to sign judicial agreement ABU DHABI, Jan. 19 (R)-Syrian Justice Minister Adib Al

Nahawi arrived here today on a six-day official visit to the United Arab Emirates (UAE) for talks to boost bilateral judicial cooperation, the official Emirates News Agency reported. The agency said Mr. Nahawi had paid tribute to UAE-Syrian relations and said that during his visit he would sign a judicial cooperation agreement between the two countries.

Biggest China-Australia wheat deal in 20 years PEKING, Jan. 19 (R)--China has bought 2.5 million tonnes of wheat from Australia for shipment up to the end of December this year, Australian officials said today. In Melbourne Wheat Board Chairman Sir Leslie Price said the sale, worth an estimated 250 million dollars (285 million U.S. dollars), was the biggest deal made with China for nearly 20 years.

Patriarch to open Coptic church in Britain CAIRO, Jan. 19 (R)--The Patriarch of the Coptic Orthodox

Church, Shenouda III, will inaugurate the first Orthodox Coptic church in Britain during a 12-day visit to London starting on Jan. 27, his office announced today. It said the Patriarch, the first Coptic Orthodox leader to visit Britain, will go on to Geneva on Feb. 7 for a two-day visit as guest of the World Council of Churches. There are about six million Copts in Egypt and many followers in Sudan and Ethiopia. Paul Meurisse of French stage and screen dies

officials said today. He was rushed to the American Hospital at Neuilly after a performance at the Theatre des Arts-Hebertot last night. The son of a Dunkirk banker, he started his comedian's career in a Paris music-hall in 1936 and 20 years later became a member of France's Comedie Française. Paul Meurisse, one-time partner of singer Edith Piaf, was the star in countless theatrical shows, ranging from Moliere and Shakespearian plays to light boulevard comedies. He also acted in 84 films.

PARIS, Jan. 19 (R)--French stage and film actor Paul Meurisse

died of a heart attack in Paris during the night, aged 65, hospital

### Dayan to visit France OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, Jan. 19 (R)--Foreign Minister

Moshe Dayan will pay a two-day official visit to France starting on Jan. 29 as the guest of French Foreign Minister Jean Francois-Poncet, the Foreign Ministry announced today. Ethiopia, South Yemen want open, free Red Sea

NAIROBI, Jan. 19 (R)-The leaders of Ethiopia and South Yemen have issued a joint communique calling for the Red Sea to be kept open to international traffic and made a zone of peace. Addis Ahaba Radio reported.

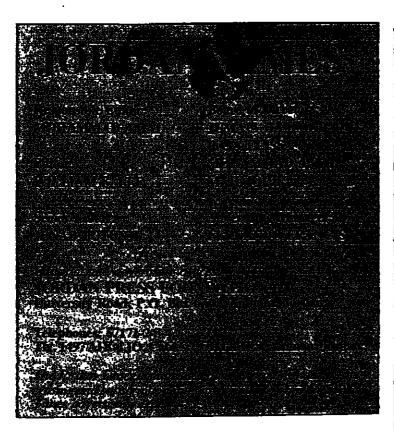
The communique was issued last night at the end of a 10-day visit to Ethiopia by Ali Nasser Mohammed, President and Prime Minister of South Yemen. The countries, with strong political and military links with Moscow, control the two shores of the strategic Bab El Mandeb straits, the narrow southern opening of the Red

### Israel sends Arab to jail for three life terms -

TEL AVIV. Jan. 19 (R)--An Arab from the West Bank of Jordan was yesterday sentenced to three terms of life imprisonment for 'sabotage activity'. Ahmad Rubhi Sharbati, 28, was among a group of guerrillas, including an Israeli Jew. caught by security forces late last year shortly before they planned to blow up a big explosive charge in Occupied Jerusalem. He was found guilty of firing a Katyusha rocket at a Jerusalem suburb over a year ago.

President Johnson's daughter files for divorce AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 19 (R)--The late President Lyndon

Johnson's daughter, Luci Johnson Nugent--whose White House romance captured national attention-today filed for divorce from her husband of 12 years. The divorce is expected to be uncontested, and no grounds were listed. Mrs. Nugent and her husband, Patrick, who have three daughters, have been separated for about a year. Mr. Nugent recently resigned as general manager of an Austin radio station owned by the Johnson family, and has gone into the publishing business.



### **Spiral of violence**

Are we witnessing the run-up to another Arab-Israeli

That is one conclusion one can draw from the escalation of violence in recent days and weeks, culminating in yesterday's Israeli ground attack on southern Lebanon. It follows weeks of heightening tension within Israel, between Israel and Lebanon and among the rival Palestinian and Israeli-backed Christian factions within Lebanon.

It is no coincidence that the renewed violence occurs as the American-sponsored Egyptian-Israeli peace talks reach the make-or-break point, and as unity is reinforced within the Palestinian movement and on the Arab eastern front with Israel.

All the parties to the Arab-Israeli conflict sense that the crisis is at a turning point. They are taking steps to secure their positions as if to face a coming storm.

For the Israelis this means dropping all pretence of peacemaking and pushing ahead with acts of aggression both in the occupied territories and against their weakest Arab neighbour-in short, spoiling for a fight.

For the Arabs, this means strengthening the common front against the enemy, stepping up vigilance against acts aimed at undermining unity and sorting out family quarrels: we see evidence of this in several meaningful events in recent days--the Palestine National Council meetings in Damascus, the consultations between His Majesty King Hussein and President Assad and the Syrian-Iraqi unifi-

The Palestinians, facing the prospect of the legitimisation of their disenfranchisement and dispossession if the Camp David accords are put into effect, have decided to intensify their resistance to Israeli occupation. The Israelis will no doubt use this as a pretext for launching new acts of

That is the way the spiral turns. Our side, while heightening its readiness for any eventuality, has never failed to restate its desire for a peaceful solution, based on the formula of Israeli withdrawal from all occupied territory and recognition of Palestinian national rights.

The world should not let that simple, urgent message be obscured in the smoke from the latest Israeli acts of aggression against the Arab nation.

### ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Commenting on the explosion in Mahane Yehuda street in Jerusalem Thursday morning. AL DUSTOUR Friday put the real responsibility on the Israeli leaders for this explosion and all other disasters that have happened and might happen in Palestine as a result of their "stubborness, superciliousness and shortsighted-

In the opinion of Teddy Kollek, the so-called Mayor of Jerusalem the time bombs which killed or wounded some 40 people was a "propaganda incident" designed to make big newspaper headlines." But Kollek could not understand that what happened in Mahane Yehuda was "the fruit of the Israeli tree of repression and tyranny planted in Palestine with the blood of the oppressed and their spoiled freedom--those who will never bow down to the usurpers of their land." -- the newspaper says.

The Arabs. Al Dustour went on to say, have so long stated before all the world and in the international forums that the Palestine problem is the crux of the Arab-Israeli conflict, and that there will be no peace without a just solution to this problem. But the Israeli leaders have closed their ears and persisted in their self-aggrandisement to the point of denying or, at best ignoring the existence of the people of Palestine.

As the Arabs have said time and again, Israel cannot possibly enjoy peace and keep the land at the same time, the newspaper

### WHAT'S GOING ON

French Film

The French Cultural Centre presents a film entitled "Vipere au poing" adapted from a novel by Herve Bazin. The film starts at 7:30 p.m. and replaces the scheduled film "Souvenirs d'en

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# Damas-Scene

Compiled for the Jordan Times by Pat McDonnell

(Week of Jan. 20 - 26)

#### **EXHIBITS**

When you view the expressionistic works of Nazir Ismael, it's clear you're not looking at pretty pictures. You also sense the intensity and dedication of a gifted artist who portrays life as he sees it. If you're interested in collecting works by Arab artists, you shouldn't miss Mr. Ismael's one-man show slated through Jan. 28 at the French Cultural Centre.

A graduate of the Fine Arts Academy of Damascus University, Mr. Ismael has had five one-man shows and has been featured in six collective international exhibitions. The dark world of Nazir Ismael is reflected in his pen and ink and watercolour portrayals of sad men staring from behind bars...even his pastoral scenes of Syrian cows and chickens imply doom. Nonetheless, his mixed media works have style; he is Syrian artist coming into his own.

Several of his works are executed in a series of panels containing distorted, often tortured, human faces. "I've tried to make a union between the artist and the spectator by portraying the faces as if they were on a film strip," Mr. Ismael said. "The viewer relates to photos because the camera is realistic, yet my semblance of film strips departs into expressionistic treatments of the human face. I hope the spectator views those faces and reflects upon his own problems. Much as we would like it otherwise, life is not the fairytale happiness offered us in Hollywood fantasies; perhaps my work will make others contemplate reality."

Hours of the exhibition are 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.: 4:30 - 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, Jan. 20: An exhibition of sculptures by Asam Pasha opens for five days at the Arab Cultural Centre with a 6 p.m. reception. Born in Yabrud, Mr. Pasha received his training in Moscow. He teaches art in Damascus.

SUNDAY, Jan. 21: A one-woman show featuring 35 water colours and oils by Latakia artist Aline Geofroy opens with a 6 p.m. reception at Urnina Art Gallery, ground floor of the Meridien. Hotel, Ms. Geofroy studied at the Beirut Fine Arts Academy. Her work ranges from still lifes and portraits to Syrian landscapes.

MONDAY, Jan. 22: "Artesania Oriental" titles an exhibition of oriental carpets and antique jewelry at the Spanish Cultural Centre. Nabil Bassaleh and George Obeid are presenting the five-day exhibit which opens with a 6:30 p.m. reception.

TUESDAY, Jan. 23: Thirty oil paintings by Ghassan Jidid of Tartous go on view for 10 days at Al Sha'b Gallery. Mr. Jidid graduated from the Fine Arts Academy of Damascus University.

THURSDAY, Jan. 25: An exhibition by a Romanian artist will open with a short film during a 6 p.m. reception at the Arab

CONTINUING: "Treasures from Dresden" titles an exhibition of reproductions of famous paintings from Dresden art museums at the German Democratic Republic Cultural Centre through Jan.



Damascene artist Nazir Ismael (right) discusses his works with viewers attending the opening of his one-man show at the French Cultural Centre.

#### LECTURES

TUESDAY, Jan. 23: A roundtable discussion on "Thirty Years of Mutual Economic Aid (COMECON) -- Balance and Perspective" is slated for 6 p.m. at the German Democratic Republic Cultural Centre (in German and Arabic).

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 24: A lecture dedicated to G.E. Lessing on his 250th birthday will be delivered at 6 p.m. at the German Democratic Republic Cultural Centre (in Arabic).

THURSDAY, Jan. 25: A literary evening marking the 100th birthday of the Soviet writer Bajov (1879-1950) will be held at 6 p.m. at the Music Salon of the Soviet Cultural Centre (in Arabic).

FRIDAY, Jan. 26: A lecture in memory in Lenin is slated for 6 p.m. at the Soviet Cultural Centre (in Arabic).

#### THEATRE

CONTINUING: Mamduah Adwan's adaptation of "Man of La Mancha" is directed nightly by Mahmoud Hadour at Al Hamra Theatre. The cast from the National Theatre of Syria stars Abdul Latif Fathy, Farah Dipsey. Filda Samour. Abdelsalam Altaib and Salyum Haddad. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m. nightly except Friday

The Experimental Theatre of Syria presents "The Way of Celebration" at 8:30 p.m. nightly except Friday at Abbasid Cinema next to the Semiramis Hotel (in Arabic).

### VIDEO-TAPED PROGRAMMES

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 24: "Le temps partage", a programme devoted to French ballet, will be shown at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the French-Cultural Centre.

FRIDAY, Jan. 26: "Les caprices de Marianne" by Musset is slated for 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the French Cultural Centre.

#### FILM

SATURDAY, Jan. 20 and MONDAY, Jan. 22: "Les Creatures." a film directed by Agnes Varda starring Catherine Deneuve and Michel Piccoli, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. at the French Cultural Centre (in French. Arabic sub-titles).

SUNDAY, Jan. 21: "Emilia Galotti," a film based on a novel by G.E. Lessing, will be shown at 6:30 p.m. at the German Democratic Republic Cultural Centre (in German, Arabic and English

MONDAY, Jan. 22: "Lenin in October" is title of a documentary to be shown at 6 p.m. at the Soviet Cultural Centre (in Russian.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 24: "Seventeen Minutes of Spring," a trueto-life film on World War II espionage, will culminate in the final chapter at 6 p.m. at the Soviet Cultural Centre (in Russian, Arabic

#### **PAT-POURRI**

FRIDAY, Jan. 26: The Soviet Cultural Centre will officially open its chess club in the name of Natoly Karpov under the patronageof Syrian Minister of Defence Mustafa Tlass.

#### **ELSEWHERE IN SYRIA**

TUESDAY, Jan. 23: The noted British classical guitarist Julian Byzantine will perform works by Narvaes, de Mudarra, J.S. Bach, Giulani, Rodrigo, Lennov Berkeley and Albeniz at 8 p.m. at the National Library of Aleppo. Born in London, Mr. Byzantine studied with John Williams at the Royal College of Music and attended master classes with Julian Bream. In Italy, he was chosen by Andres Segovia to give a solo recital at Sienna. He later joined the staff of the Royal Academy of Music and gained fame as a soloist and concert performer with the Royal Philharmonic. He is well-known as a broadcaster on the BBC and on independent : television and is a recording artist as well.

If you have items for the Damas-Scene column, please send them ten days in advance to Pat McDonnell, P.O. Box 5601. Damascus, Syria.

### German firms vie for

By Rami G. Khouri Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, Jan. 19--American and West German consulting engineering firms are best placed to win the contract for the feasibility study of what will probably be one of the Middle East's most demanding engineering jobs-rebuilding the 1.300-km-long Hijaz railway linking Damascus. in Syria, with Medina, in western

Saudi Arabia. This was revealed to the Jordan Times in an interview here yesterday by Transport Minister Ali Suheimat, who said that three of the eight shortlisted international consulting consortia have been asked to meet in Damascus in the first week of February to negotiate their terms with a three-man technical committee representing

Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia. One consortium will be selected then and the contract for the economic and technical feasibility study of the massive scheme will be signed in Amman before the end of February, in the presence

of the transport or com-munications ministers of the three Arab states jointly working on the railway reconstruction project. Mr. Suheimat said. The contract would have to be completed within 13 months.

He estimated the consulting engineering phase of the project. including the feasibility studies. the appointing of a consulting engineering firm or consortium of

firms, and the drawing up of the final designs and tender documents, would take nearly three years, and the actual construction phase of the project would require another five years.

He would not venture an estimate of the cost of the project.

#### because this depended largley on the final configuration of the railway facilities themselves. The aim is to build an entirely new and

from Damascus to Medina, a distance of 1.300 kilometres, but it would be part of the feasibility study project to determine the optimum configuration, which could call for a single-track or a numbers and kinds of stations

along the way. Mr. Suheimat said the railway

railway

modern standard-gauge railway.

would be mostly used to haul freight between Europe and the states of the Eastern Mediterranean and the Arabian Gulf. though passenger traffic would also be carried, particularly during the annual Moslem hajj (pilgrimage) season.

### feasibility

He also said that Turkey would be contacted soon to discuss upgrading its railway system. which provides the critical link hetween Europe and Asia. It much money rebuilding the Hijaz railway only to have the trains enter a bottleneck during their transit through Turkey, the minister said.

He said the costs of the project would be shared by the three states, but did not specify how this would be done.

He said, however, that this is expected to be "an economical project", in that it is supposed to be largely self-financing after it

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operating the railway would eve tually cover its construction cos he said, and it is one of the fea would be a bit silly to spend so the most economical means bility study's objects to determ building and financing the proje

adopted.

Commercial sources in Amn who have had previous experier with railway projects in the Mi dle East estimate that the Hi railway project would cost in t neighbourhood of around \$1 b lion at the very least, and could considerably more expensive the two-track configuration

# Coming & Going

Minister of Labour

off to Qatar

AMMAN, Jan. 19 (JNA)--Minister of Labour Issam Ailouni left for Doha this evening for a visit to Oatar at the invitation of his Qatari counterpart. The visit

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labour in the Gulf states are holding a three-day conference starting tomorrow to follow up discussions on coordination among their countries and also between their countries and Jordan in the field of labour and social affairs. Discussions on the subject started during the meetings of the International Labour Organisation in Geneva last June and continued at the meetings of Arab social affairs ministers held in Baghdad last November.

comes at a time when ministers of

North Korean delegation arrives

AMMAN, Jan. 19 (JNA)--A trade delegation from the People's Democratic Republic of Korea arrived here today for a four-day official visit to Jordan. During the visit its members will hold talks with Jordanian officials on ways of promoting trade and economic ties between the two countries. The delegation which is led by the North Korean under-secretary of trade is also expected to conclude contracts for the purchase of Jordanian products.





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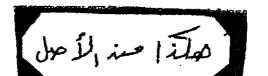
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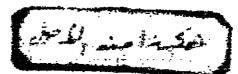
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# Children plant seeds for future



One of the many young Jordanians who took part.

**Jordan Times photos** by Bill Lyons

The occasion was a treeplanting ceremony at the Yajouz International Children's Forest, held under the patronage of His Highness Crown Prince Hassan and Her Highness Princess Sarvath. The King's daughter, Princess Alia, took part in the occasion, which was sponsored by the Friends of the Children Club as part of Jordan's celebrations marking the International Year of the

the forest was divided into sections in which Jordanian families and organisations, members of the diplomatic corps and of the inter-national community in Amman planted seedlings of many different types of trees. In all, some 3,500 trees from Jordan and 1.000 brought in specially from abroad were planted. About a dozen foreign embassies planted trees from their countries.

Among those attending the ceremony were Sharif Nasser Ibn Jamil, the King's uncle, and his wife, who is President of the Friends of the Children Club.



HRH Princess Alia planted a tree in each of the different sections of the international forest.



One of the organisers from the Friends of the Chil dren Club, Mr. Haitham Gussous, and family plant a tree in the Jordanian section.



It was, above all, a day for children.



Jordanian scouts, who also helped direct traffic to the site, are seen here in the French planting area.

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Jordanian family doing their part for the effort.





The Italian plot at the International Children's Forest.

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AMMAN, Jan. 19 (J.T.)-An enjoyable day's outing today by several hundred people on a hillside northeast of Amman will bear fruit for future generations.

The area designated for



Soviet ambassador Rafiiq Nichanov plants a tree sent from the Black Sea coast.



# Married at 15, widowed at 24, Hassina Tweir is a survivor

Text and photo by Pat McDonnell Special to the Jordan Times



Hassina Tweir with Ebla, the youngest of her 31 grandchildren by whom she is surrounded daily in Deir Ez-Zor, Syria.

Editor's Note: This is the third in a continuing series on Women of Syria.

DEIR EZ-ZOR -- Few people experience what Hassina Tweir, 74, did in her first 24 years. Her father was killed by the

Turks in 1912 when she was 8 years old. At 13, her future husband avenged her father's death by kil-

ling the man who betrayed him to the Turks. She was married at the age of 15 and widowed at age 24 in 1928

when her husband was executed by the French. Hassina Tweir is the epitome of Syrian womanhood: warm, emo-

tional, fiercely loyal and indefatigable in the face of harsh adversities. Above all, she is a sur-Hassina was the eldest of five

children in 1912 when her father. Ali, was conscripted into the Turkish army. As the contingent of chea from Deir Ez-Zor, her father told the Turkish guards he needed a drink from the nearby Euphrates.

A Turkish sympathiser warned the guards that if Ali Tweir jumped into the water, they'd never see him again, he was the best swimmer in Deir Ez-Zor.

The guards sighted their rifles and when Ali dove, they fired. His widow retrieved his body from the river bank three days later.

A cousin of Hassina's. Mahmoud Aiyash, vowed to avenge the death of Ali. Both Hassina and Mahmoud belonged to the Bu-Obeid clan which had ruled Deir Ez-Zor since the 1870s. The clan was led by

Mahmoud's father, Aiyash Obeid. It took seven years, but Mahmoud carried out his vow in 1917 when he confronted the man who betrayed Hassina's father to the Turkish guards. He fatally stabbed him. Two years later, Hassina and Mahmoud were mar-

Although she is reluctant to admit it. Hassina's marriage to Mahmoud was a turbulent one. Her father-in-law cooperated with the French during the early years of the Mandate, yet her husband continued to be a fiery patriot, more interested in plotting against the French than in supporting his family. Her first two children died in infancy, Hassina was expecting her third when uprisings against the French Syrian draftees was being spread to revolutionary strength m 1928.

> Mahmoud openly broke with his father at this time over their disagreement concerning the clanleader's cooperation with the French, Mahmoud swore to his father that he would make him rue the day he ever sympathised with foreigners ruling Syria. The two men never saw one another again.

In the half century that has passed since the incident at Ain Bu Jema', many legends have evolved. Hassina still adamantly denies her husband had a part in it. The French believed otherwise.

The actual events seem to be that Mahmoud gained advance information that a French colonel and an armed escort of 14 men were coming to Deir Ez-Zor from Aleppo in two cars.

The most popular legend is that Mahmoud and seven other villagers ambushed the cars. beheaded all members of the French convoy, and sent the cars back to Aleppo with the heads on the passenger seats.

What actually happened is perhaps even more tragic. At Ain Bu Jema', a village 10 kms, west of Deir Ez-Zor, the French colonel and his convoy were apprehended by Mahmoud and his men. The French were bound, blind-folded and gagged by their captors who then lowered them into an empty water well.

The French would have lived if search parties had known where to look. Unfortunately, their whereabouts was discovered too late.

The decapitation tale probably grew around Mahmoud's fatal mistake. After leaving the French in the well, Mahmoud and his men took the hats of the French as souvenirs of their successful mission.

Although he did not discuss his guerrilla action with Hassina. Mahmoud did cache two of the French military caps in their

One month after the bodies of the French convoy had been recovered, a house-to-house search was conducted by the French authorities. The hats were discovered and Ali was arrested as the leader of the band and he was sent to Aleppo for trial.

Hassina never again heard from her husband. Fearful of the French and unable to read newspapers, she could only rely upon

One story told to her was that her husband had been shot before a firing squad and that the wife of the French colonel had shot the fatal bullet. Others told her that

Mahmoud had been sent to a prison in France. As late as the 1950s, a Syrian who had travelledi to France told Hassina ne had seen her husband selling newspapers on a street in Paris. Mahmoud's vows to his father

that he would rue the day he had cooperated with the French came true. Shortly after Mahmoud's arrest, the French removed all immediate members of his family to Jebla near Latakia

Hassina was left to fend for herself in Deir Ez-Zor.... no casy task for a pregnant, illiterate widow in the hinterlands of Frenchcontrolled Syria in 1928. In the West, Hassina might have become a servant, waitress, or seamstress. In Syria, she was expected to remarry.

Fortunately, she did not have to become a second, third or fourth wife. Instead, she came under the gentle protection of a bachelor. Abdu Arazah Al-Faisal, who was nearly 20 years her senior. They soon were wed and produced five children.

Although her eyes are failing and she complains of foot trouble. Hassina is a happy, active woman who daily oversees the household cooking for one of her two sons. She alternatively lives in the house of one of her sons, then the other.

Ask her even today, 50 years after the incident of Ain Bu Jema' if her first husband, Mahmoud, was involved and she firmly remonstrates:

"I lived with this man for nine years and I knew him long before them. He was innocent."

# Soviet book cites extensive Zionist influence in the Wes

MOSCOW, Jan. 19 (R) -- The Soviet Union has published a new book attacking Zionism, which it describes as "the chauvinist ideology of the powerful Jewish bourgeoisie" in the capitalist

"The Ideology and Practice of International Zionism is the work of the influential Soviet Academy of Sciences and is published by the Political Publishing House in Moscow.

Praised in an authoritative review by the Communist Party daily Prayda, the book not only attacks Israel and its policies but accuses "Zionist centres" of controlling Western news media and waging a secret campaign of sub-

version against the Soviet bloc. It also bitterly attacks Judaism as a religion, quoting early writings by Karl Marx in which the founder of Communism said the real religion of the Jews was

"Where rabbis and Zionists rule, all is subordinated to one goal -- serving in interests of capital," the book says, adding that there is no basic difference between orthodox, reformed and other currents in modern Judaism. It traces the origins of Zionism to the Jews' belief that they are God's chosen people, a common theme in other Soviet attacks on Zionism in recent years.

Israel has frequently complained that Soviet anti-Zionist propaganda is "anti-Semitic." but the Soviet Union has always denied this, arguing that anti-Semitism is against the law in the Soviet Union.

The new 270-page work, which may reopen the controversy, has been written under the close supervision of a veteran Communist Party ideologist, academieian Mark Mitin.

Academician Mittin, now 77, headed the Communist Party's Institute of Marxism-Leninism for a period in the 1940s under dietator Josef Stalin.

In 1953, just before Stalin's death, he played a major part in a propaganda campaign to accuse foreign Zionists of links with the so-called "doctors' plot."

This attair, which climaxed several years of anit-Jewish purges. involved charges against a group of Kremlin physicians, many of them Jewish, who were accused of conspiring to murder Soviet leaders on orders from abroad.

Mr. Mitin, at the time editor of the Cominform journal "For a Lasting Peace, for a People's Democracy," wrote an article on "The Zionist Agency of American Imperialism in which he denounced "the vile crimes of the terrorist doctor-killers.

After Stalin's death the campaign was called off and the doctors' plot was said to have been an invention of Stalin's police chief Lavrenti Beria,

The new work does not repeat the plot allegations, but it resurrects charges made in the Stalin era that Jewish charitable and cultural organisations in the West are fronts for subversion against the Soviet Union. It lists as "Zionist centres" the American Jewish organisation B'nai Brith, the League Against Racism and Anti-Semitism in France, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in Paris. Israel's Weizman Institute and the Documentation Centre for Nazi Crimes in Vienna.

It devotes a large amount of

space to describing the control to develop a specifically Jewish today are lead by rabbe alleged to be wielded over the media in the West by "Zionist resisted. Centres" financed by the "pow-

erful Jewish bourgeoisie." "It is known that 80 per cent of American and international information agencies are under the influence of international Zionist centres." the book says. adding that Zionists also use radio stations such as the Voice of America (VOA), the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) and the West German Deutsche

Welle. Zionists, the authors say, have penetrated their cadres and sympathisers into the worlds of the press, radio, the cinema, science. art and literature in many Western countries.

Their aim is to gain influence over Jews in the Soviet Union and recruit them as agents, the book warns, citing as an example Anatoly Shcharansky, a Moscow Jew sentenced to 13 years in prison and labour camp last year on espionage charges.

Listing a variety of Western writers as being Zionist or pro-Zionist -- Bernard Malamud. Kingsley Amis, Robert Conquest. Raymond Aron, Eugene Ionesco and others -- the book follows Lenin in arguing that all attempts

culture by the Soviet Union's two or three million Jews should be speculators and representated

It gives as an example the activities at an international book fair in Moscow last year of the American Association of Jewish

Book Publishers and goes on: "Every Soviet citizen regards it as vital to display high political vigilance and recognise the class enemy under whatever mask he acts and whatever slogans he cries."

The book draws a link between 'Zionist" and liberal "revisionists," accusing Zionists of playing a major role in the 1968 "Prague spring" in Czechoslovakia. This period of liberalisation,

ended by the Warsaw Pact invasion of August 1968, is described. as a counter-revolution partly financed from the West. The book attacks Edlard Goldstuecker. Jewish head of the Writ-

ers' Union in 1968, and other Czech and Slovak cultural figures new in disgrace. The book says that Zionists are in control of half the magazines in the United States, half the radio

stations and three quarters of the foreign bureaux of American news media. Official Zionist organisations

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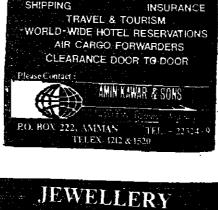
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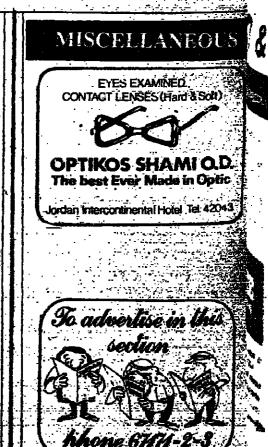


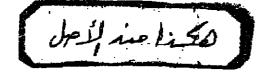
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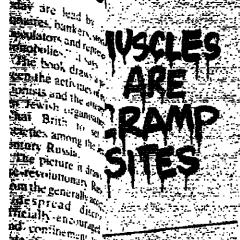
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HONG KONG, Jan. 18 (AP) -The odds are good that the shirt on your back was made in Hong Kong - whether it's a \$5 leisure shirt or a \$150 Calvin Klein silk.

Since 1973. Hong Kong has retained the title of the world's largest clothing exporter and the United States is far and away its biggest market.

- In the late 1950s and 1960s, the 'Made in Hong Kong" lable became synonymous with mass produced cheap clothes. Not anymore. There are still plenty of inexpensive trousers, shirts. blouses and sweaters - the big four export items -- but now there are plenty of expensive ones, too.

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where it now reads like the "who's" and style." who" of fashion: Calvin Klein, Pierre Cardin, Fiorucci, Givenchy, Yves St. Laurent, Christian Dior and Gloria Vanderbilt.

This week's 12th annual Ready-to-wear Festival has attracted more than 4,300 buyers from 60 countries, including such American pacesetters as Saks Fifth Avenue, 1. Magnin and Marshall Field.

of the Hema B.V. chain in over\$3 billion -- about 41 percent Amsterdam, said: "Hong Kong is to the United States. West Ger-

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LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Keep on an even keel today

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Rid yourself of whatever

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You want to im-

prove your appearance but don't make any dramatic

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Take your problems

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You have good ideas

but are not sure of them, so analyse them better before

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In recent years, the list of fam- the cheaper producing countries,... ous designers manufacturing in they have made tremendous Hong Kong has grown to the point improvements in terms of quality

> Anne Bruh, fashion coordinator for London's Frank Usher specialty fashion house, said she comes to Hong Kong "because we find it impossible to get high quality production in Europe and elsewhere and here we find people so willing and able."

Nearly one third of Hung Kong's manufacturing workforce is employed in the garment indus-Arie Maas, managing director try and last year's exports totaled by far the best in the Far East of - many and England rank second

and third as export markets.

The local industry has largely succeeded in changing its image from a mass producer of basic cheap merchandise to a quality producer of luxury fashions and designer-label ready-to-wear. But a survey of buyers unanimously agreed that this British crown colony has a long way to go before it can call itself an international fashion centre.

As Frenchman Gilles Raysse, managing director of Jungle Jap Kenzo Ltd., of Paris, put it: "They are adaptors, not designers. They haven't been able to create their own look. Paris creates the look all over the world."

Mr. Wechsler added. "Hong Kong, by its geographical place in the sun, is always a season behind. The collections we're seeing today are taken from the United States and Europe. Hong Kong is geared to large quantities of merchandise

classic types rather than innovative types.

In an effort to encourage local talent, the Ready-to-wear Festival has sponsored a "young designers' show" for the past three years. This year's winner, 24-year-old Alison Ko, used the late Chinese Chairman Mao Tse-tung's "long march" as inspiration for her original blend of Chinese designs and Western cut and printing techni-

Mr. Raysse praised Miss Ko's collection for its feeling for colour, technique and personality. He said the whole show, which featured 17 young designers, boded well for the future of the industry

Bernie Ozer, president of the major American buying agency AMC, added: "If they nurture and develop their own talent which is here, they will grow -- because and stores, when they buy in quan-they can't always feed on everytities, are more likely to go for one else."

### Indians protest Canada's reduction of health funds

CORNWALL, Ontario, Jan. 19 (AP)--Mohawk Indians, ignoring criminal charges brought against three of their leaders in the last two days, set up a tollgate yesterday on an international highway that crosses their land between Cornwall and Massena, New York.

An Indian spokesman said another tollagate, the third this week and the fifth since the New Year began, would be set up today. Motorists have been charged \$1 and those refusing to pay have been waved through.

The tollgate was set up by the St. Regis Mohawks to collect money for an emergency fund they say is necessary because of federal government health cuts last fall. Indians now must pay for services, such as glasses, drugs, dental care and transportation, previously provided free.

Health Department officials say the cuts were designed to eliminate abuses. The Indians argue that the federal government, under the British North Americas Act, the constitution, is responsible for all Indian Health. On Tuesday night, Chief Lawr-

ence Francis was arrested by provincial police and charged with obstructing traffic on the international highway on Jan. 7. A hearing was scheduled for Jun. 24. Chief Angus Bonaparte and Deputy Chief William Sunday were also charged with related offenses.

A National Indian Brotherhood spokesman said recently the Mohawks might attempt to set up a permanent toll. They have never recognised federal government expropriation in 1956 of that strip of highway connecting the bridges linking Cornwall and Massena.

Trading continued Friday at a low level with the road haulage strike forcing further lay offs in industry. Equities met renewed small support at the lower levels, dealers said, and at 15:00 the F.T. index

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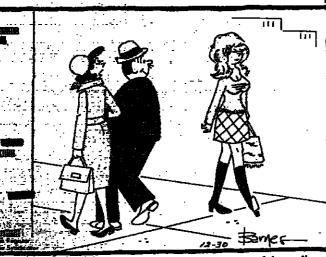
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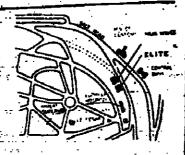
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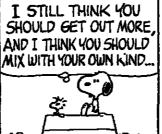
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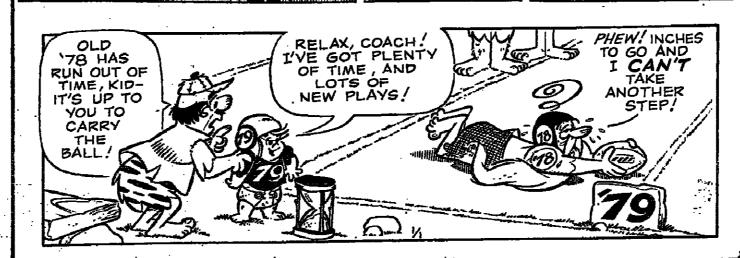
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HONG KONG, Jan. 19 (R)-The Taiwanese

freighter Huey Fong carrying about 3,400 Vie-

tnamese refugees has sailed into Hong Kong, a

The ship, anchored just outside Hong Kong

waters for nearly a month, sailed into the British

colony after Taiwan slammed the door on the

The spokesman said it had been decided on

humanitarian grounds not to prevent the Huey

Fong entering Hong Kong waters, "Conditions on

board are giving increasing cause for anxiety,

firstly because we now have information that

there are 3,383 people on board, including 1,352

This was a substantial increase over the cap-

tain's earlier estimate of 2.700. Deteriorating

weather conditions were another factor, he added.

government spokesman said today.

refugees.

children," he said.

VIENNA, Jan. 19 (R) -- OPEC's new chief executive said yesterday that oilexporting countries will act moderately "as gently as possible"--in making Future price changes.

Rene G. Ortiz, a former Ecuador Government official who took over as secretary general of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries last week, said OPEC was already acting responsibly on the petroleum pric-

We must secure an income from crude oil and (natural) gas commensurate with their importance on the world market," he told a press conference.

We are in the process of doing that--but as moderately, as gently as possible, certainly taking into account the delicate interrelationship existing between the oil industry and worldwide economic stability.

Mr. Ortiz said there was no need for concern over Iranian oil production losses, as other OPEC countries were stepping in to fill

"I think the supply and demand situation is already balanced," he said. "There is no need to worry at

did not believe Iranian cutbacks would force prices beyond levels agreements.

two-year price freeze by announcing staggered increases for 1979. thus raising the price of oil by a total of 14.5 per cent over the next

tries should "rest assured that OPEC is acting responsibly -- and will continue to do so in the future in the full realisation that we are inter-dependent.

# IRA bombs bus depot in Belfast

overnight bomb attack by Irish fires spreading to nearby houses Republican guerrillas on a Belfast but were unable to prevent more bus depot destroyed 25 doub- than two dozen buses being despolice said today.

Police said three armed men gang planted four bombs.

posal experts rushed to the depot Ireland. but the bombs went off before. Last year nearly 100 buses were parked buses.

this time.' Mr. Ortiz told reporters later he

set by OPEC last month. But barrel costs could vary for some spot sales outside normal OPEC OPEC oil ministers, meeting at Abu Dhabi last month, ended a

Mr. Ortiz said consumer coun-

"This inter-dependence means

# BELFAST. Jan. 19 (R)--An Firemen managed to stop the

ledecker buses worth £1 million, troyed. A spokesman for the bus company estimated damage at well over £1 million. A spokesman for the guerrillas' forced their way into the bus depot provisional Irish Republican n the Falls Road area of west Bel- Army (IRA) said the attack, the fast last night and tied up security biggest bombing raid in Northern

staff while other members of the Ireland so far this year, was part of their continuing "economic war" Police and British bomb dis- against British rule in Northern

they could be examined, causing destroyed in provisional IRA fires which raged through the guerrilla bomb attacks in the pro-

### Watergate notable released from jail

months).

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (R)--Former attorney-general John Mitchell, the last key Watergate scandal figure still in jail, will be freed today from a federal prison camp in Alabama.

Mr. Mitchell. 65, the highest ranking member of the Nixon administration to be jailed in connection with Watergate, is expected to fly straight to Washington, where he hopes to build a new life.

The release on parole of Mr. Mitchel completes another chapter in a scandal that toppled former president Richard Nixon.

Watergate began with a breakin on June 17, 1972, at the Democratic Party's campaign headquarters in the Watergate office complex. Other irregularities during the 1972 Nixon re-election campaign were also tied in with

Twenty-five men were jailed for Watergate or related crimes and only two served longer than Mitchell's 19 months: G. Gordon Liddy (54 months) and former Central Intelligence Agency

operative E. Howard Hunt (32)

Friends say they expect Mr. Mitchell, a widower, to remarry and find a job. They said they did not think he would try to make money by writing or lecturing about his political experiences.

He cannot resume work as a lawyer since he was disbarred because of his Watergate sentence. But he has experience acquired in his pre-political days as a highly-paid bond lawyer, advising states and cities how to finance milti-million dollar construction projects.

Martha Mitchell, the wife who won headlines by her unbridled comments while he was attorney general, died while he was in

Mr. Mitchel was sentenced to between 30 months and eight years, but this was later reduced to one to four years.

for

that security of supply and cooperation at every level is important not only to you but to us as well."

In his first press conference at OPEC's Vienna headquarters since his election for a two-year term, Mr. Ortiz added: "We in OPEC accept our responsibility and will in future continue to exercise the sort of prudence and moderation in policy matters which we have already demonstrated, so as to safeguard the future of our peoples and of mankind."

Mr. Ortiz said the 13 OPEC nations, which supply most of the West's oil needs, must have the opportunity to diversify their economic structures.

He said informal contacts between OPEC and North Sea oil producers Britain and Norway, as well as with Mexico, would continue in their joint interests.

### Romanian official to visit Moscow

MOSCOW, Jan. 19 (R)--Romanian Foreign Minister Stefun Andrei will pay an official visit to Moscow at the end of this month at the invitation of the Soviet Government. Tass News Agency reported today.

Mr. Andrei's visit will be the first official meeting between leaders of the two countries since Bucharest took an open stand against the Soviet Union on defence and foreign policy issues and considerably strained relations within the Communist bloc.

Late last year, Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu rejected a Soviet move to increase defence spending by the Warsaw Pact.

This month his government ignored a Soviet declaration of support for the Vietnamesebacked takeover of Kampuchea (Cambodia).

After his lone stand at the Warsaw Pact summit, the official Soviet media attacked Mr. Ceausescu for underestimating the military threat from the West, but so far they have been silent on Romania's lovalties in Southeast Asia.

ROME, Jan. 19 (R) -- The future

of the Italian coalition gov-

ernment was put in doubt yes-

terday by the Communist Party,

which said that its continued par-

ticipation depended on a quick

response from the Christian

The communists have sup-

ported the christian democrats in a

parliamentary alliance with the

socialist, social democrats and

republicans since March last year.

christian democrats of creating a

political climate which was not

sustainable and said it was up to

the

But yesterday they accused the

Democratic Party to criticism.

Italian

As well as helping to produce oil . and gas, the new programme will also aid energy planning in those developing countries which need it, expand its financing of geolog-

communists cloud government's future Prime Minister Giulio Andreotti of having taken "wrong decisions harmful to the interests of the

> country. The "over-hasty" entry of Italy into the European Monetary System (EMS) was one of them, the statement said.

> It criticised the government's new three-year economic plan, published this week, as biased in its analysis of the economic problems as well as insufficient and ambiguous.

The statement was issued yesible for this shift, the statement terday following a lengthy meeting of the party leadership on what it called the rapidly deteriorating

parliamentary agreement solely depends on the response which must be quickly given by the christian democrats, who have created a situation that is no longer sustainable," the communist state-

"At this point, the fate of the

ment said. The three-year economic plan will be discussed in Parliament later this month. Yesterday it was approved as "most useful" by Italy's small but influential Republican Party.

The plan aims at cutting inflation, boosting production, reducing labour costs and creating new jobs, especially in Italy's impoverished south.

### World unprepared for landing of UFOs, warns English noble

Hong Kong allows Viet refugee ship

to enter after month-long ordeal

English peer warned today that a world-wide invasion of air space by unidentified flying objects (UFOs) posed a grave threat and people should be prepared for the possibility.

Britain's nobility, lounging on the red plush seating of the House of Lords, listened fascinated by the Earl of Clancarty's remarks.

He went on: "Just suppose UFOs decided to make a mass landing tomorrow, there could well be panic because the people here were not prepared."

But not one cynical remark came from within the historic debating chamber because the earl, who saw his first UFO through a kitchen window, is a recognised authority on the subject. He has written several books on UFOs and was once editor of sightings," he said. the Flying Saucer Review, a publication available in the House of Lords library.

The earl wants all governments to pool their knowledge of "the increasing number of sightings and landings of UFOs.

And, while the rest of the 100 assembled lords and ladies did not go as far as anticipating mass landings, most speakers agreed that it would be a good thing for governments to exchange data.

There has been a cover-up on UFOs by governments, said the 67-year-old earl, a founder of Contact International, a group collecting information on sight-

But as far as the Earl of Kimberley was concerned, the British Government was taking very little notice of the mystery lights and space craft reported. "I understand the Ministry of Defence has only two clerks working on UFO

But according to the Earl of Clancarty, the French at least have been taking it all seriously.

Turning to the United States, he asked why President Carter, who has admitted seeing a UFO over Georgia, doesn't fulful his preelection pledge and put the facts before the public.

"These factors, coupled with the increasing

possibilities of iliness, have prompted the Hong

Kong government's decision to land those on

Hong Kong had previously insisted that the

Huey Fong's captain should take his human cargo

to the southern Taiwan port of Kaohsiung, his

Then vesterday the British authorities in Hong

Kong said he could land but he would face four

years' imprisonment under new Hong Kong laws

that make it an offence to carry unscheduled pas-

The spokesman said the refugees would be pro-

cessed by immigration officials on three boats

parked alongside the ship. They would then be

brought ashore but kept separate from those

refugees already in Hong Kong.

original destination.

board the Huey Fong." the spokesman said.

The Lords, composed of people with inherited titles and those given life peerages for outstanding service to Britain, has no real power.

Its function is mainly to debate. and revise proposed government legislation. Occasionally they drift into purely intellectual dis-

There was no indication that the government intended publishing all it knew about UFOs, although the ten speakers during the debate did not doubt the sincerity of those who made sightings.

However, everyone was assured by the Earl of Clancarty: "We have not been invaded from outer space. indeed it is us Earthlings who are hard on them."

#### Bank to boost loans for energy production in developing countries Bank officials told a press briefical and geophysical surveys and

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19 (R) -The World Bank is to boost its assistance to the developing world to help it produce oil and gas. Bank President Robert McNamara said yesterday.

Under a programme adopted by the bank, lending for energy production, and in some cases exploration, will be doubled to about ten per cent of total lending by

About 60 countries could benefit from the new programme, which would help to accelerate exploration and development of coal as well as oil and gas reserves. The effort will be concentrated in countries which depend heavily on imported oil and gas.

The communists are believed to

be worried that the christian

democrats might want to revive

the centre-left coalition which

governed Italy without the com-

munists from the mid-sixties until

In an official statement, the

Communist Party said: "The

country now lives in a condition of

grave crisis," blaming a change of

policy by the christian democrats

aimed at discriminating against

the Communist Party. Con-

servative elements were respons-

'frontalieri'

ing that in the financial year beginning July 1, the bank expects to lend about \$1/2 billion for production development projects.

Although they declined to name specific projects, the officials said that the bank's staff was considering a project in Chad and holding exploratory talks with Egypt.

The World Bank is already involved in energy projects in India, Pakistan, Thailand and provide financing for energy studies. Bank officials said while the

institution still considers its rural development programme its first priority, some re-ordering of these priorities is warranted. They said that, despite effective

conservation programmes in many developing countries and high prices for oil and gas, demand placed a great strain on the development of resources available to a country.

In all, the bank expects to examine some 30 oil and gas and five coal projects over the next three years, and is likely to provide financing for about 22 of them by 1981.

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Italian communities near the border

with Switzerland have successfully

By Norris Willatt

**Paying** 

LUGANO -- Italian communities close to the border with Switzerland, such as Como, Varese. Luino and Porlezza, received a most welcome bonus at the end of 1978. They are due for a windfall of some 40m. Swiss francs (about £13 million) from the Swiss canton of Ticino, to help them meet the cost of social benefits for resident Italians employed in Switzerland. A treaty signed between the

Governments of Italy and Switzerland in the closing days of the year sought to regulate a situation that has long been the subject of controversy between them. The Italian authorities have objected that they have been obliged to bear the cost of playing host to workers from whose labour the Swiss have benefited, and that this arrangement is unfair. The Swiss, under pressure, have finally come around to their way of thinking. At the root of the controversy is

the phenomenon known in Italian as the forntaliere, or forntier worker--an individual who lives in one country but earns his living in another. The phenomenon is by no means confined to Switzerland

(it causes all sorts of trouble between the authorities of the United States and Mexico, for example). But it is a particular problem in Switzerland which has so many other countries around its borders: France, West Germany and Austria, as well as Italy.

During the boom years of the 960s and early 1970s, Switzerland--with a population of only 6.3m., but with a highly developed economy--ran desperately short of labour. So employers turned to the nationals of adjacent countries to seek workers for industry, retail trade

The arrangement worked well. Foreigners in the mainly rural areas of France near Geneva, West Germany near Basle, and Autria in the Lake Constance region, were only too glad to take jobs with Swiss firms, earning much higher wages than they could have hoped for at home. The same was true of the whole Italian region bordering on Canton Ticino.

Even today, in a period of receson, a total of nearly 90,000 fronvalieri from these countries earn their living in Switzerland -though this is several tens of

claimed money from the Swiss for looking after the frontalieri, who live in Italy but work on the other side of the frontier.

thousands down from the total at the height of the boom. Between a quarter and a third are Italians who work in Swiss towns, such as Lugano and Locarno or in factories in outlying areas near the Italian border, which Swiss employers have built to take

advantage of their labour. In each border area, life for frontier workers is the same. They cross into Switzerland each morning to go to their jobs, and return to their own countries at night. Their day is longer (sometimes considerably longer) than that of domestic workers, because of the extra travelling time. But mostly they think it is worth it for the

higher wages. The arrangement suits the Swiss very well. The labour of the frontalieri enables their industries in border regions to achieve much higher levels of output--and so of turnover and profits-than if they had to rely upon domestic workers, who are not available, any-

In any case, Swiss would be unwilling to take jobs as construction workers, hotel staff and unskilled factory workers, which the Italians especially accept wil-There is a further advantage for

the Swiss in employing frontalieri-neither their employers nor the authorities need concern themselves about finding housing for the foreigners and their families, or providing extra school accomodation, medical services, and the like. Finally, when there is no more work for them, the foreigners can be sent

home, without worrying about what happens to them subsequently. It is this last issue which has

provoked a reaction from the Italian communities where the frontalieri live. These communities have to provide the housing, schools, clinics and other infrastructure for them and their dependants. If the workers lose their Swiss jobs, as quite a few have done since the recession, the Italian authorities have to take care of them. This reponsibility tends to be

resented, the more so because many of the workers involved are not native to the border region. They came there from other parts of Italy, attracted by the prospect of finding work in Switzerland. Many of them are from Calabria and Sicily, in Italy's deep south. and their attitudes and customs are quite different from those of people born and bred in border Provinces, such as Como, Varese and Sondrio. The natives feel that the immigrants are changing the character of their adopted communities.

These feelings are scarcely soothed by Swiss reminders that the wages earned by Italian frontalieri are mostly spent where they live, not where they work, and that this contributes to improving the standard of living for all in the community. Without the opportunity to work in Switzerland, many of the people involved might have no job at all, the Swiss point

The Italian authorities have long claimed that they are entitled to some benefit from the deductions made by Swiss employers from the wages of frontier workers for taxes, social security benefits, and so on, to help pay the cost of supporting them and their families.

The payment of 40m, francs represents retroactive payments dating from 1974. These funds have been indentified as a contribution by the Swiss canton licino to the unemployment insurance funds of Italian communities which are having to support frontier workers who have lost their jobs in Switzerland; and to take care of similar contingencies in the future. It seems that the canton will be reimbrused, at least partially, by the federal government in Berne.

A more permanent fundsharing arrangement awaits the signing of a double taxation agreement between the Swiss and Italian Governments.

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THE Daily Crossword by Evelyn Bensho

U.S. steel haulers end 2-month strike

PITTSBURGH, Pennsylvania, Jan. 19 (R)-A bitter 65-day sin

which disrupted steel deliveries in the United States ended last me

when independent steel haulers finally accepted a federal court of

to return to work. The striking members of the Fraternal Association

of Steel Haulers (FASH) voted to accept the court order rather it

see their leader sent to jail. Two days ago FASH said it would

to represent all 30,000 independent owner-operators in the com

The strike brought sporadic violence and bloodshed to the

producing areas of Pennsylvania, Ohio, and the Calumet

around Lake Michigan. Some drivers ignoring the strike were shi

EEC urges reduced energy consumption

STRASBOURG, France, Jan. 19 (R)-Henk Viedeling, a Europ

Common Market commissioner, today called on EEC consume

cut their use of energy, because of the drop in oil supplies from h

Mr. Vredeling told the European Parliament much of the short

had been made up by other producers and by drawing on stocks.

worldwide the gap was three or four per cent of recent level

consumption. The EEC previously got 16 per cent of its oil from li

Mr. Vredeling said. The latest OPEC price rise decision would in an extra \$4.8 billion on the community's oil bill pushing up its out.

living and slowing economic growth, he said. He favoured the

policy of regular meetings between oil producers and const

countries. The Parliament passed a resolution calling for that of

to continue and pressing for a comprehensive EEC energy por

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one letter to each square, to form

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